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Invention: *Operating Device Having a Light Detector*

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED
OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the
United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), mailed April 5, 2002 in the above-
captioned application, applicant submits the following:

- 1) Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US).
- 2) Executed 1-page Declaration.
- 3) Executed Assignment, Appointment of Domestic Representative, and Recordation Form Cover Sheet.

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- 4) A check in the amount of \$170.00 for payment of the government fee for late filing of applicant's Declaration (\$130.00) and the payment of the assignment recordation fee (\$40.00). A Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 (11/01) is also enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any extension or additional fees associated with this or any other communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1170.

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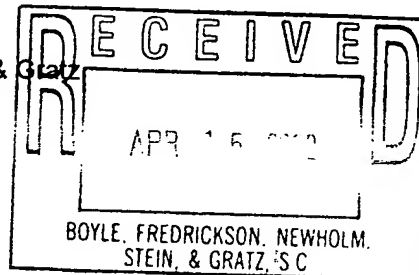
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*